



Dear Parents and Carers,
I hope you all had a wonderful break in the sunshine last week! The children have certainly returned with infectious enthusiasm to begin term 6 and we are all looking forward to the special events that this term brings. It has been a busy first week back and we have welcomed lots of visitors into school.

We were lucky to be joined by Wiltshire and Dorset Fire Service on Wednesday. Children in Year 1 to Year 5 took part in age-appropriate fun, interactive and engaging sessions where they learnt important fire safety messages. Year 5 even got to experience life as a Fire Investigation Officer. Our Reception children also had a visitor this week to help them understand the importance of good oral hygiene. We expect to see some dazzling smiles from our youngest children!

We are very pleased to have a strong link with Waterstones book shop in Chippenham and delighted that enthusiastic book worms from Waterstones will be hosting story time sessions in our school library every Tuesday afternoon. Carle Class, alongside some children from Sunflowers, were the first to experience this new event this week. All classes will get a turn either this term or in the new school year.

Year 1 had a fabulous day out at Roves Farm on Tuesday. Their teachers and teaching assistants were congratulated by Roves Farm staff on the way these children listened and behaved during their exciting visit. The tractor ride was a particular highlight of the day.

Preparations are well underway for Sports Day which is scheduled for next week (Friday 12th June). Mrs Angell, our PE Lead, has delivered an assembly to help children understand how this event will run and how to support each other positively. Everyone is getting very excited! We look forward to welcoming parents and carers into school to support children on Sports Day. Please check emails regarding timings and particular arrangements for different year groups. Also, pray for sunshine!



Mrs H Fahey, Deputy Head

Date	Event
10/06/26	Y6 Residential Information Evening for Parents, 3.30pm
12/06/26	Sports Day – Y3-Y6 : 9am – 12noon , YR–Y2 : 12.45 – 2.55pm
17/06/26	Y6 Chippenham Games
17/06/26	Y1 Hargreaves Chippenham Museum and lunch in Monkton Park
18/06/26	Y1 Donaldson Chippenham Museum and lunch in Monkton Park
19/06/26	Reception Fathers' Day event 2.15pm
22/06/26	TD Day
23/06/26	Y5 Abbeyfield School Taster Day (details to follow)
25/06/2026	Y6 Production at 9.30am and 6pm (details to follow)
26/06/26	Non-uniform for FOILS Summer Fayre (details to follow)
27/06/26	FOILS Summer Fayre 12-3pm
29/06 to 01/07	Y6 Residential to Hooke Court
01/07/26	Sunflowers' Summer Sports 9am to 10.30am
02/07/26	Choir Voices of Friendship Concert at John Coles Park
03/07/26	End of Year Reports home to parents
09/07/26	Y6 Transition Sheldon School only
07/07/26	FOILS Summer Discos – CHANGE OF DATE AND YEAR GROUPS YR to 3 at 4.15 - 5.15pm / Y4 to 6 at 5.30 – 6.30pm
10/07/26	Y6 Transition Sheldon and Hardenhuish schools
10/07/26	Whole School Move Up Day (details to follow)
15/07/26	Reception trip to Weston-super-Mare (details to follow)
15/07/26	Reception to Y6 Open Classrooms, 3pm to 5pm
16/07/26	Y6 Transition Abbeyfield School only
16/07/2026	Y6 Ivy Fest (5pm to 6.30pm)
21/07/26	Sunflowers' Graduation 2 to 3pm
22/07/26	Y6 Leaver's Assembly 9.30am
22/07/26	Last day of Term. Early finish at 1.30pm

Sports Day

Our Sports Day this year will take place on **Friday 12th June**.

Please see below the times for each key stage:

KS2 (Years 3-6): 9am to approximately 12pm

Reception, KS1 (Years 1 & 2): 12.45pm - 2.55pm

Please note we will be requesting

that **all children in Year 1 and 2**

bring in a packed lunch on that day.

A letter will be sent out in due course giving further details.



Please Remember Coats!

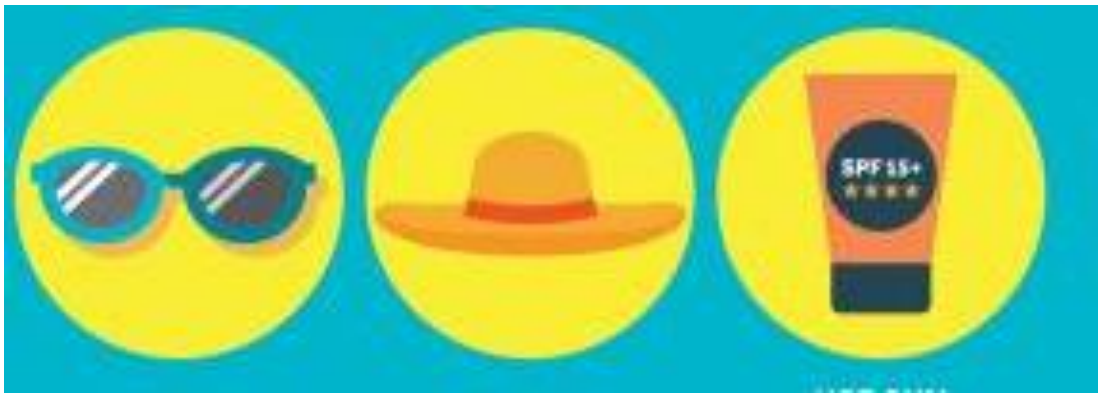
The weather is very changeable at the moment so please remember to send your child to school with a coat, even if it looks sunny in the morning.

Don't forget your coat.



On hotter days, please remember to apply sun cream to your child before school and provide them with a sun hat (and sunglasses if they wish.)

Thank you for your support.



Congratulations to Our Eco Friendly School Design Winners

A huge congratulations to the following children for using their engineering skills and creativity to design an environmentally friendly school.

KS2 (Years 3 to 6)

Well done Toby and Freddie in Riddell class

KS1 (Year 1 to 2)

Arthur J in Hargreaves

See their designs below:

Design an environmentally friendly school



Design:



Materials (technical knowledge):



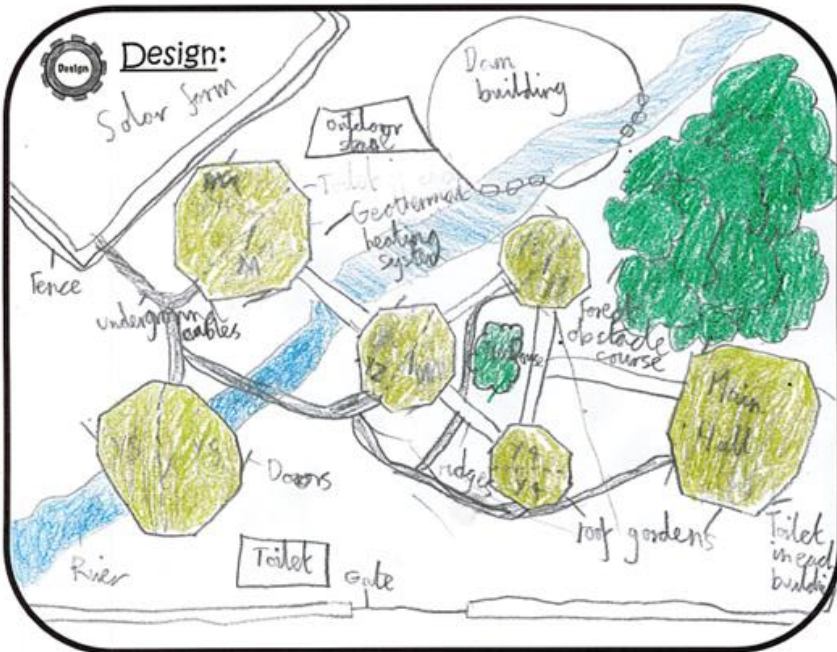
Evaluate (circle one):



Design an environmentally friendly school



Design:



Materials (technical knowledge):

- ❖ Grass
- ❖ Wood
- ❖ Plastic
- ❖ Water
- ❖ Fabric
- ❖
- ❖

Evaluate:

I liked the bridges connecting roof gardens and the solar energy for every class. It could have been better if there was hydrothermal ventilation.

Year 6 Class Photos

Lewis



Ivy Lane School 2026 - Year 6 - Lewis Class

Year 6 Class Photos

Tolkien



Ivy Lane School 2026 - Year 6 - Tolkien Class





SATURDAY 27TH JUNE
12 - 3PM
IVY LANE SCHOOL



Well done to these children who have impressed their class teachers over the last week.

Carle: Nizar H
Rosen: Grace L
Donaldson: Matvii S
Hargreaves: Wasif R
Dahl: Ava U
Kerr: Mikey M
Cowell: Teddy H
Griffiths: Khizer B
Morpurgo: Noah W
Zephaniah: Ivy C
Pullman: Clara M
Riddell: Gio W
Lewis: Henry M
Tolkien: Milo M-D

Well done to the children on the Golden Ivy Leaf over the last two weeks who joined Mrs Lammin for a Headteacher's breakfast!
Alfie G, Alix C (Donaldson)
Martha R, Cece S (Hargreaves)
Orla S-A, Taylor T, Remy B (Kerr)
Louis DB, Harrison B (Morpurgo)
Sebastian W (Zephaniah)
Erin H (Lewis)



Thank you to those who have donated books to their class's reading corner in celebration of their birthday:

Ralphie M (Sunflowers)
Tobias N (Dahl)
Isabelle C (Dahl)
Mabel G (Kerr)
Huw J (Tolkien)

From the office...

Contacting the School

01249 652556

Email Mrs Jones

assistantadmin@ivyane.wilts.sch.uk

- Pick up arrangements.
- School absences
- Medical appointments
- School dinner bookings
- Wraparound care
- Club bookings
- Parking permits
- Dietary / Medical needs

Email Mrs Nowosielski

admin@ivyane.wilts.sch.uk

For all other enquiries, including admissions, and your first point of contact for any member of staff at Ivy Lane.

Changes to contact details

Please remember to let us know if there are any changes to your contact details, addresses, email addresses etc. You can do this through the Arbor parent portal or by letting the office know directly.



Dietary / Medical Needs

Please keep the office updated with any dietary or medical needs your child has. Please let us know if this changes throughout the year.



Medicines

If your child needs to have any regular medication in school please bring it to the school office and complete a medication form.



Lost Property

Please remember to **name** your child's uniform and school equipment. Particularly their jumpers, cardigans, PE jumpers and water bottles. You can look for lost items at the end of the school day. Lost property is located inside the Y4/5 entrance near the tunnel gate.

Reporting



Absences

If your child is ill, please leave a message on our dedicated absence line, 01249 652556 (Option 1). It really helps us if you leave a voicemail rather than email in.

Please let us know your child's symptoms rather than saying they are 'ill' or 'sick' as we require this information for our attendance records.

For absence requests in advance, (eg. appointments / holidays/ external exams) please complete an absence request form, available from the office or download from the website and email in to assistantadmin@ivyane.wilts.sch.uk



Please remember to let Ivy Kidz know if someone different will be collecting your child. We follow the same procedures as the school and cannot let your child go home with someone different unless we have had authorisation from parents.

A gentle reminder that we cannot accept any late bookings for Ivy Kidz or Breakfast Club due to our staff rota organisation.

Please ensure all sessions are booked within the 1 week booking deadline. Reminders are sent out weekly to advise about dates that the Wrap Around bookings on Arbor will be closing.

A gentle reminder that pick-up times for Ivy Kidz is 5.30pm. Please ensure your child is collected promptly.

Please use the out of hours number to call Ivy Kidz after 3pm for any emergencies or late collections.

Phone: 01249 460822

Email: ivykidz@ivyane.wilts.sch.uk

Please do not call this number during the school day.



Penalty Notice Fines for School Attendance are Changing

With the introduction of the new National Framework for Penalty Notices, the following changes will come into force for Penalty Notices issued from September 2024

Per Parent, Per Child

Penalty Notice Fines will be issued to each parent for each child that was absent.
For Example: 3 siblings absent for term time leave, would result in each parent receiving 3 separate fines.

When will a Penalty Notice fine be issued?

Penalty Notices will be considered for 5 Consecutive days of term time leave or 10 sessions of unauthorised absence in a 10-week period (in the same or over different academic years).

First Offence

The first time a Penalty Notice is issued for Term Time Leave or Irregular Attendance the amount will be:
£160 per parent, per child paid within 28 days. Reduced to £80 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days.

Second Offence (within 3 years)

The second time a penalty Notice is issued for Term Time Leave or Irregular Attendance the amount will be:
£160 per parent, per child paid within 28 days.

Third Offence (within 3 years)

The third time an offence is committed for Term Time Leave or Irregular Attendance a Penalty Notice will not be issued, and the case will be presented straight to the Magistrates' Court.

Magistrates' fines can be up to £2500 per parent per child. Cases found guilty in Magistrates' Court can show on the parent's future DBS certificate, due to 'failure to safeguard a child's education'.



WILTSHIRE SUPPORT SERVICES

Wiltshire Parent Carers Council

The Wiltshire Parent Carer Council (WPCC) can provide advice about local sources of support and information for families of children with special educational needs.

Call the WPCC Helpline

01225 764 647

10.00am - 5.00pm

Monday - Friday

https://www.wiltshireparentcarercouncil.co.uk/en/Contact_us

FREE MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES

Supporting the wellbeing of children has never been so important. To assist you in doing this, SSS Learning Ltd have produced two fantastic free parental resources:

I am sure parents/carers will find these free resources both informative and supportive.

[Child Mental Health & Wellbeing - 10 Top Tips for Parents](#)

[Parents' Mental Health & Wellbeing - 10 Top Tips for Parents](#)

Wiltshire's Wellbeing Hub

The Wiltshire Wellbeing Hub can help:

- put people in touch with community groups who can help and provide a warm space
- signpost to sources of financial support and foodbanks
- provide advice to those experiencing loneliness
- advise people on cost-of-living crisis
- signpost customers to any appropriate schemes through the Household Support Fund (HSF)

mapac[®]

School Uniform can be ordered here:

<https://www.mapac.com/education/parents/uniform/ivyaneSN1>



Do you receive any of the following?

- Income support
- Employment Support Allowance (Income Related)
- Income based Job Seekers Allowance
- Guaranteed Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit and your income (as calculated by the Inland Revenue) is less than £16,190
- Universal Credit
- Receiving support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act of 1999
- In the Armed Forces

If you can answer yes to any of the above you may qualify for free school meals/Pupil Premium

Want to apply? Not sure?

Ask at the office

The school office will help with your application. If your application is successful not only will your child receive free school meals, but our school will receive £1,300 additional funding (per child). This is called Pupil Premium.

All applications are confidential.

The Wiltshire WELLBEING HUB

For vulnerable people in need of support

0300 003 4576

wellbeinghub@wiltshire.gov.uk

#WiltshireTogether

Wiltshire Council

Pickwick Academy Trust



Part of Pickwick Academy Trust Vision: "to work together to provide the best schools and outcomes for our children"

Registered office: Pound Pill, Corsham, Wiltshire, SN13 9YW, Companies House No: 07557894

Web: www.pickwickacademytrust.co.uk Email: admin@pickwickacademytrust.co.uk Twitter: @PickwickTrust



OLYMPIAD VOLLEYBALL CLUB

JOIN NOW!

Free trial session for
new members under 18
@ 6pm, 8 June 2026

ADULT TRAINING



facebook

Monday 19:30 - 21:30
Wednesday 20:30 - 22:00

Olympiad Leisure Centre,
Chippenham, SN15 3PA

JUNIORS (Ages 10-14)

Monday evenings
18:00- 19:30, except
school holidays

To join, contact our Facebook or olympiadvolleyball@gmail.com